

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<u>Applicant:</u>	Alan B. Shuey	:	
<u>Serial No.</u>	10/029,087	:	
<u>Confirmation No.</u>	3407	:	<u>Title of Invention:</u>
<u>Filed:</u>	December 20, 2001	:	Releasable Cable Grip
<u>Group Art Unit:</u>	3677	:	<u>Attorney Docket No.</u> 010071
<u>Examiner:</u>	Ruth C. Rodriguez	:	
<u>Assignee:</u>	Ductmate Industries, Inc.	:	

**DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTION IN THE UNITED STATES
TO OVERCOME CITED PATENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.131)**

BY Alan B. Shuey

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PURPOSE OF DECLARATION

This Declaration is to establish completion of the invention in this application in the United States at a date prior to December 7, 2001, the effective date of U.S. Patent No. 6,546,600 to Lyons.

The person making this Declaration is Alan B. Shuey.

FACTS AND DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

To establish the date of completion of the invention in this application, the following is attached and submitted as evidence.

Exhibit A - Invoices and drawings showing that the Releasable Cable Grip as shown in the drawings in the application existed prior to December 7, 2001 (the dates of the invoices and drawings have been deleted along with other confidential information.).

Prior to December 7, 2001, I completed the invention as claimed and described in the application as evidenced by the following:

- a. Prior to December 7, 2001, having earlier conceived the idea of a Releasable Cable Grip as claimed, I contacted a company to manufacture parts for the Releasable Cable Grip as evidenced by Exhibit A. The documents in Exhibit A were all dated prior to December 7, 2001.
- b. From Exhibit A, it can be seen that the invention was made prior to December 7, 2001.

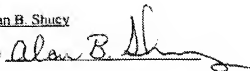
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR:

Inventor Name: Alan B. Shucy

Inventor's signature



Date

8-21-06

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FAX MESSAGE

<u>Ref</u>	: RC/Q/RF/D/192	<u>Date</u>	: [REDACTED]
<u>To</u>	: Ductmate Industries	<u>Attn</u>	: Tim Ormstead
<u>Subject</u>	: Quote 192 - Gripple	<u>Pages</u>	: 1 incl. cover

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QUOTATION: Q/RF/D/192

Dear Tim,

Thank you for your email dated [REDACTED]. While we are still working on the other Gripple parts, please find below the price of Gripple Part No.2.

Gripple Part No. 2 : US\$ [REDACTED]
(as per the sample)

This price is quoted to you on the basis of Gripple Part No. 3 and proportional weight of Gripple Part No. 2. This is due to the fact that our factory hasn't seen the sample of Gripple Part No.2 yet (it is currently on its way).

In regarding to the price to the door, East Monongahela, we suggest you add approximately 7% considering minimum order of 20' ft. container. (Please note we do not yet have a confirmation as to the custom duty on the product and hence custom duty charges are not considered in the price. Kindly make a note of it).

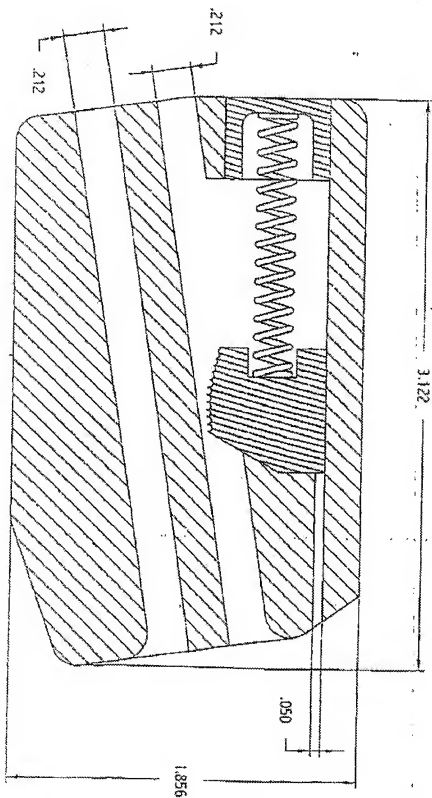
Thank you once again and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED], Inc.
[REDACTED]

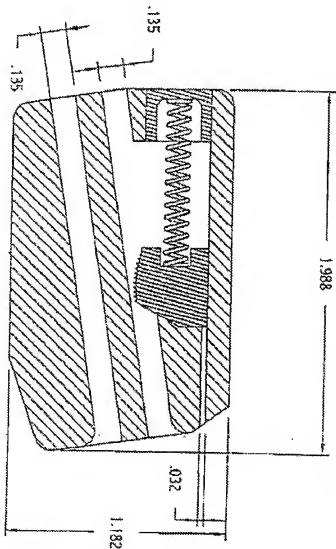
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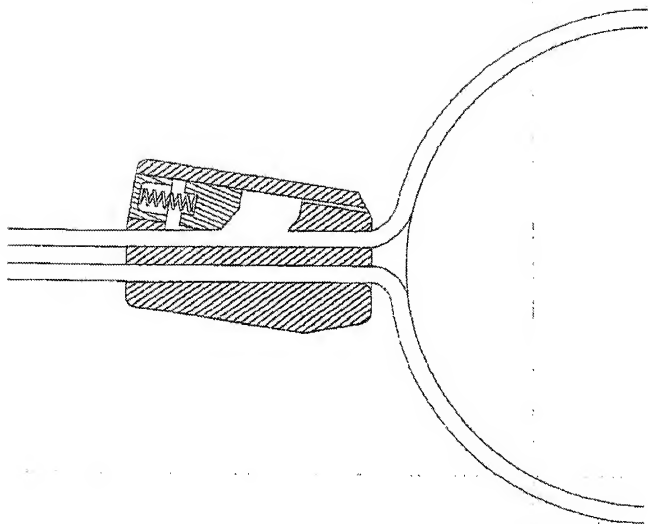


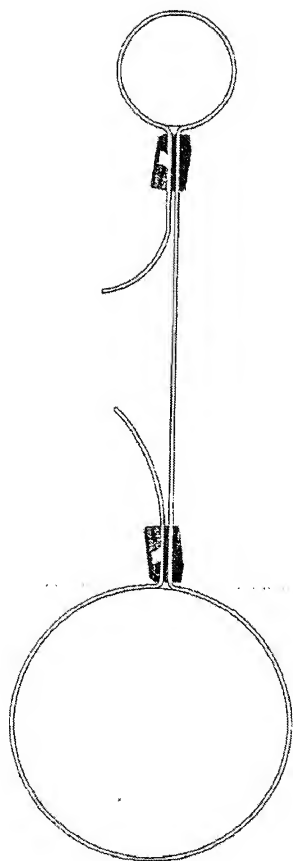


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1	Aluminum	
2	Steel	
3	Brass	
4	Copper	
5	Iron	
6	Lead	
7	Gold	
8	Silver	
9	Platinum	
10	Palladium	
11	Rhodium	
12	Rosin	
13	Shellac	
14	Wax	
15	Resin	
16	Glue	
17	Paint	
18	Oil	
19	Grease	
20	Soap	
21	Shampoo	
22	Deodorant	
23	Perfume	
24	Body Lotion	
25	Hand Cream	
26	Facial Cream	
27	Shower Gel	
28	Bath Foam	
29	Body Wash	
30	Hand Sanitizer	
31	Disinfectant	
32	Antibacterial	
33	Viral	
34	Fungal	
35	Bacterial	
36	Parasitic	
37	Protozoan	
38	Helminth	
39	Arthropod	
40	Mollusk	
41	Echinoderm	
42	Cnidarian	
43	Ctenophore	
44	Tunicate	
45	Chordate	
46	Mammal	
47	Bird	
48	Reptile	
49	Amphibian	
50	Fish	
51	Invertebrate	
52	Plant	
53	Fungus	
54	Bacteria	
55	Virus	
56	Prion	
57	Protein	
58	Carbohydrate	
59	Lipid	
60	Nucleic Acid	
61	Cell	
62	Organism	
63	Population	
64	Community	
65	Ecosystem	
66	Biome	
67	Biogeography	
68	Conservation	
69	Evolution	
70	Genetics	
71	Development	
72	Physiology	
73	Behavior	
74	Ecology	
75	Environmental	
76	Geology	
77	Geography	
78	History	
79	Art	
80	Music	
81	Dance	
82	Theater	
83	Cinema	
84	Television	
85	Radio	
86	Internet	
87	Mobile	
88	Computing	
89	Engineering	
90	Architecture	
91	Design	
92	Manufacturing	
93	Transportation	
94	Energy	
95	Environment	
96	Climate	
97	Weather	
98	Atmosphere	
99	Hydrosphere	
100	Lithosphere	
101	Biosphere	

STOCK SHEET
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BY: 1-1-11
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<u>To</u>	: Duotmate Industries	<u>Attn</u>	: Alan Shuey
<u>Subject</u>	: Quote 241R	<u>Pages</u>	: 2 incl. cover

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QUOTATION: Q/RF/D/241R

Dear Alan,

As per our recent discussions we are pleased to submit our complete proposal for the Gripple product.

Gripple Product Price List

Gripple Product	Quantities/Pieces	Price US\$/each unit
Gripple No. 2	100,000	[REDACTED]
Gripple No. 3	100,000	[REDACTED]
Gripple No. 4	50,000	[REDACTED]

Pricing: The above prices are FOB Door, *subject to verification from US customs regarding duties (we have estimated this to be duty free).* Prices are valid for a maximum of two shipments per order. There will be a minor price increase due to the custom packaging requirements. We will revert back with pricing including packing charges.

Development: Lead-time for the dies is 60 days, plus any delays due to national holidays

Delivery: Shipment one (50% order): 45 days after approval of samples, plus 40 days for FOB Door delivery. Shipment 2 (remainder of order) can be dispatched within 30 days of dispatch of shipment one.

Packing: All Grippie Products will be packed 20 pieces per poly-bag, and packed 10 bags per carton.

Payment: Net 40 Days from receipt of goods.

We look forward to your confirmation of the terms above in order to proceed with development.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'L. D. D.', is written above a thick, solid black horizontal line.

USA, INC.

Branch Office:

Blacksburg, VA 24060, USA

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I hope you find our prices competitive. Should you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me @ [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]